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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS:MASS, IS
SUBJECT: BEGIN'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON: BRIEFING ON MILITARY
ASSISTANCE

1. ARMA HAS BEEN TOLD BY AN IDF GENERAL OFFICER THAT PRIME MINISTER BEGIN WOULD BE BRIEFED ON DEFENSE-RELATED SUBJECTS AS FOLLOWS. HE WILL BE ASKED TO TELL THE PRESIDENT THAT THERE ARE, IN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING OUTSTANDING REQUESTS FOR ROUTINE MILITARY ASSISTANCE, SOME SPECIFIC AND CRITICAL SUBJECTS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED OF THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE DEFENSE POSTURE OF ISRAEL. THESE ARE BELIEVED TO INCLUDE F-16 CO-PRODUCTION; FMS SUPPORT OF THE MANUFACTURE OF ISRAELI TANKS; AND THE RELEASE OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS AND KNOW-HOW. HYDRO-FOIL CO-PRODUCTION MAY ALSO BE RAISED.

2. THE SOURCE BELIEVED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT THAT THEY AGREE THAT U.S. AND ISRAELI EXPERTS CARRY ON DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF EACH OF THE ABOVE ITEMS, DISCUSSIONS IN WHICH THE ISRAELIS COULD PRESENT THEIR COMPLETE RATIONALE. THESE TALKS WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY A VISIT OF DEFENSE MINISTER
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WEIZMAN TO WASHINGTON; HE WOULD DISCUSS THE SUBJECTS AT THE POLICY/DECISION LEVEL. THE SOURCE THOUGHT THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD PROBABLY ASK FOR EARLY MEETINGS AND STRESS THE IMPORTANCE TO ISRAEL OF REACHING DECISIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. COMMENT: WHILE WE HAVE NOUGHTING TO CONFIRM THS

REPORT, IT APPEARS PLAUSIBLE. THE SOURCE HAS BEEN
RELIABLE IN THE PAST.
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